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City Manager ready to present retirement letter

By Rosemary K. Otzman
 Independent Editor

On Monday, Belleville City Manager Diana Kollmeyer told the city council that she had her letter of intent ready announcing her retirement but would hold onto it until the next meeting when the whole council was present.

Mayor Kerreen Conley and Councilman Tom Smith were absent from Monday's session. The next meeting on Oct. 21 starts with a special 6 p.m. session at the Commons at Belleville High School to discuss the proposed special assessment for public safety that is on the Nov. 5 ballot. The regular city council meeting will follow at 7:30 p.m. at the same location.

"It was my intent to give the letter of intent to retire to the council, but the mayor is not here," Kollmeyer said, explaining she will present it at the next meeting and then the council can plan procedures on how to replace her. She said the new person could start off the new year.

In other business in Monday's 14-minute meeting, the council:

- Heard Kollmeyer announce the seawall repair at Doane's Landing is done. She said restoration of the area needs to be completed and that will start this fall and be completed in the spring. She noted the rails still have to go up and the cement pads for the benches to be put in place;

- Also heard Kollmeyer announce that Scott Jones has presented site plans for the first part of his development in the 500 block of Main Street and the plans are being studied by the city's consultants. She said Jones already has made several small changes, as suggested. She said the project should be ready to start;

- Approved the Jingle Bell 5K Fun Run/Walk for Dec. 7 starting at the Horizon Park gazebo on High Street, the same as

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Photo by Abigail Emerson

This is Belleville High School's Homecoming Court. The Queen and King will be crowned at this Friday's varsity football game during halftime. The boys on the court, from left, are Ben Jeng, Andrew Rainey, Jason Johnson, Aaron Rainey, Connor Bush, Zsarek Boone, and Chandler Wilson. The girls on the court, from left, are Audrienne Cunningham, Chelsea Mihaly, Jada Hoskins, Alyssa Trybus, Madison Mikulski, Michelle Eau Claire, and Ania Potts.

VBT holds workshops on what to put on Master Plan

By Rosemary K. Otzman
 Independent Editor

Van Buren Township held two workshops last week, one for the public on Oct. 1 and one the next day for township elected and appointed officials and members of boards and commissions.

Adam Cook of McKenna planning consultants is managing work on the updated Master Plan that is being put together.

He said 50 people turned out on Oct. 1 for public comment.

He said the last comprehensive Master Plan for Van Buren Township was published in 1988. He said many sub-area plans were put in place over the last 30 years and they want to update the plan and combine all the pieces into one document for easier access by staff and the public.

Cook said they had two online surveys to ask the public what they wanted for their township and more than 1,300 responded. The first survey, the summer of 2018, had 99% of respondents that were homeowners.

They wanted to get what renters wanted too, because they have needs. That's why they had another online survey last

summer, with flyers being taken out to apartment complexes to get them involved.

Cook said in the 2019 online survey, with about 40 questions, 67% responding were homeowners, 21% were renters, and 9% were residents of the City of Belleville, which he said was a close neighbor and their ideas were important.

He said most agreed that Belleville Lake was the crown jewel of the community.

He said the negative comments included roads, vacant buildings, traffic volume, lack of non-motorized transportation, lack of cultural events, and truck traffic.

Some of the comments received at the workshop were that Van Buren Park needs

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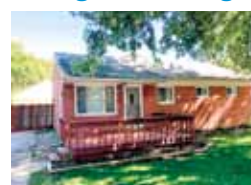
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SECOND FRONT PAGE



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Oztzman

After being sworn into their full-time status as fire fighters, the history-making Van Buren Township employees posed for a special picture. From left standing in front are Public Safety Director Gregory Laurain, Battalion Chief Ron Folks, Lieutenant Doug Doty, Sergeant Aaron Ladach, Sergeant Ryan Smith, Firefighter Dan Walter, Firefighter Bronson Campbell, Fire Chief Amy Brow and Police Chief Jason Wright. In back are board members, from left, Trustees Sherry Frazier and Reggie Miller, Treasurer Sharry Budd, Supervisor Kevin McNamara, Trustees Kevin Martin and Paul White, and Clerk Leon Wright.

Van Buren Twp. board approves hiring six full-time fire fighters

By Rosemary K. Oztzman
Independent Editor

In what they called an “historic moment” members of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously in their regular meeting Oct. 1 to hire six full-time fire fighters.

Clerk Leon Wright then swore in Battalion Chief Ron Folks, Lieutenant Doug Doty, Sergeant Aaron Ladach, Sergeant Ryan Smith, Firefighter Dan Walter and Firefighter Bronson Campbell.

These are all current VBT fire fighters who applied for the full-time positions.

This action came after a closed-door board session the day before to settle the union contract language and a vote to put all new hires under the new Health Care Savings Account rather than lifetime medical care.

The new full-time fire fighters are considered new hires. Four of them live in Van Buren Township.

“What an exciting time for the Public Safety Department,” said Public Safety Director Greg Laurain, noting they have had difficulty in recruiting paid-per-call candidates and this will give them better

control in staffing the stations.

Treasurer Sharry Budd said at the beginning, years ago, the township had a volunteer fire department and fire fighters got \$1 a year, then it finally came to being paid hourly.

“And now we have full-time,” Treasurer Budd said, adding Fire Chief Amy Brown was a part-time fire fighter for Van Buren in the past.

Trustee Reggie Miller called the vote “an historic moment,” adding, “We all worked hard together to make this happen.”

“When the chief got hired, I said we need full time. Make that happen. And, she did,” said Trustee Sherry Frazier.

“We’ll have quicker service,” Trustee Frazier said, also noting it was an historic moment for the township.

Clerk Wright said when people are considering moving to the township, they ask is the community safe? Are the schools good? What about taxes? He said this is his 11th year on the board and this had been talked about by previous administrations.

“I’m speechless,” said Trustee Kevin Martin. “When I was first elected, I wanted to see a full-time fire department ... to

protect our community ... I’m proud to be a part of this.”

Trustee Paul White said he has lived in this community for more than 60 years and at the beginning there were two small fire stations. Now there are two state-of-the-art fire stations, he said.

“I’m fully supportive of the public safety department,” he said. “Thanks Amy, Jason, Greg,” he said to the leaders of public safety.

“I was the only one dragged down this road kicking and screaming no, no, no,” said Supervisor Kevin McNamara. He said VBT had the most cost-effective fire department and the department had Chief Brow who has outstanding training credentials.

“They became so good, the fire fighters we trained went out and got jobs,” Supervisor McNamara said. “That’s what they do.”

He said they went over this and studies show a flat line in the fire department costs with these six full-timers and, “We’re very proud of it.”

He said the township created a savings account, adding \$100,000 a year, so when they need a new truck, they’ll have funds

for it. The two fire halls are state-of-the-art and the equipment now is great, he said.

“We expect you to save our lives someday,” McNamara said to the full-time fire fighters.

At the beginning of the discussion on full-time fire fighters, McNamara read a lengthy prepared statement to explain the situation.

“Today, we are preparing to move the township into its next phase of growth in the area of public safety. The proposal today raises the level of security to our residents in the areas of fire safety and quickens our ability to respond to our residents’ medical emergencies,” he said.

“Over the last four years our part-time fire fighting and medical response force has dwindled. Due to national unemployment, the country is experiencing a shortage of fire fighters entering the fire service trades. It has become increasingly difficult to get fire fighters to come to work as part-timers. And when we do get a part-timer, they increasingly are finding full-time jobs in short order with other fire departments. This leaves us with yet another shift that

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OPINIONS

Editorial

VBT commits to full-time fire department crew

They've started with just six full-time fire fighters, but this is a big step for Van Buren Township. On Oct. 1, the VBT board voted unanimously to promote six current paid-per-call employees to full time.

Treasurer Sharry Budd remembers when early fire fighters in VBT were volunteers who got paid \$1 a year for their service to their community. Then they were paid per hour. Now, there are some who are full time.

It's an historic step, but felt necessary because of the lack of those willing to work part time in fire service.

On the scanner, we've heard the fire calls in the tri-communities where there were not enough fire fighters to respond, so mutual aid from surrounding communities was necessary.

It'll be a while before we can assess what this means to VBT responses, but it is a solid base.

Sumpter Township was down to the lowest number of paid-per-call fire fighters in many years, but on Tuesday the Sumpter board approved hiring five new paid-per-call fire fighters – three men and two women.

Sumpter Trustee Don LaPorte said, "Our numbers have been down... It's an awesome thing you've signed up for."

Our communities are to be commended for doing the best they can with what they have to keep their residents and businesses safe.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

There was a Nixle advisory from Van Buren Police on Sunday morning that said: On Oct. 5 around 10 p.m. in the area of Michigan Ave. and Denton Road, the Van Buren Police assisted multiple agencies in the investigation of a crime from the west side of the state. All suspects were taken into custody without incident and there is no further concern for VBT residents, the advisory said.

On Tuesday, VBT Police Chief Jason Wright said that this had to do with the Kalamazoo jewelry store armed robbery that ended with a chase on I-94, bailout in VBT, and search for three armed suspects with helicopter and K-9s in VBT's Ashbury subdivision.

He said it all started when dispatch overheard talk from Washtenaw County on the chase by Blackman-Leoni PD, Ann Arbor PD, Michigan State Police and Washtenaw County Sheriff and let VBT officers know what was coming their way. Officers Hillen, Mowbray, and Hernandez were able to get in position to help with the search for the suspects in an area they knew. Chief Wright said the suspects are believed to be connected to another armed robbery in Battle Creek.

"The unsung heroes are our dispatch," Chief Wright said. "They let our guys know and were the glue that put the process together."

There were news reports on Friday that debris from a State Representative's demolished Detroit home was found at the Woodland Meadows landfill in Van Buren Township. Rep. Sherry Gay-Dagnodo said her home on Detroit's west side was demolished with no record of how or why it happened. Detroit police are investigating it as a criminal matter.



Reportedly, Waste Management is cooperating with Van Buren police and has shared information regarding the disposal of the debris.

Gay-Dagnodo said she purchased the home last year for \$1,000 and invested at least \$42,000 in renovations, including a new roof, new windows, new doors, new storm doors, and new siding. She said she planned to do something good for the community with it once the home was completely renovated. She said ideas included giving it to a family in need or a place for homeless veterans to go.

We received a news release from Camping World headquarters that announced the Belleville location on the North I-94 Service Drive will be among those that will be expanded to offer service to RVs as well as selling RVs and an assortment of outdoor lifestyle products.

The new RV dealerships will be under the Camping World, Gander RV and Outdoors, Gander RV and Airstream banners, the news release said.

It's been pointed out to me that there is a area right next to our local Camping World that is cleared and ready for development.

We also received a news release that said Mainstreet Computers on Charles Street in the City of Belleville has been sold to Convenient Payments, LLC, a portfolio company of The Beekman Group. The acquisition closed Aug. 29 and details were

not disclosed. Mainstreet Computers, which used to actually be on Main Street years ago, provides solutions for the auto and flat glass industries. The company is located in Belleville's former post office.

Before Monday's city council meeting, City Manager Diana Kollmeyer said she had talked to VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara. I asked if he talked to her about the electronic message board some of his trustees want in front of the museum and she said he did.

She said she told him the reason they have the ordinance prohibiting such signs is that they didn't want Belleville's downtown to look like the Vegas strip with all the flashing signs. She said if they gave an exception to one place, then others would want exceptions to the ordinance, as well, and it couldn't be stopped.

Kollmeyer said she told him if VBT wanted to make a request to the city council the council would turn it over to the planning commission for a recommendation and that recommendation would come back to the council.

The company – VEGAS -- which is putting up the sign (whether it is electronic or just a nice, lighted sign) hoped to get it in place before the weather got bad. We'll see what happens next.



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Letters

I want to thank young woman for paying bill

To the editor:

Sunday afternoon, just after doing a little shopping, I stopped at McDonald's on Belleville Road to pick up lunch for my wife and me. Having trouble trying to figure out how to place an order using the newfangled machine they installed, a very young girl (maybe 20 years old) came over to assist me. I told her what I wanted. She punched the machine a few times, a slip of paper popped out at the bottom of the machine, and she told me to go to the register and pay the bill.

While waiting for a clerk, she walked back over to me, picked up my slip of paper, talked to the clerk, and the next thing I knew she paid my bill. What surprised me the most was that someone her age would do something like that for an older veteran. That is one young lady that was raised right by her mother and/or father. I just want to publicly thank her for her generosity.

Pete Pitzen
Belleville

P.S. Before I left, I noticed she was at the machine helping an elderly woman who was also confused.

Thanks to Quality Homes & Maintenance

To the editor:

I want to thank a local company, Quality Homes & Maintenance Services and owner Rick Smith for a job well done.

We had a covered porch with an unstable foundation and leaning roof supports. It was literally falling down. I found Rick's name in the *Independent* and gave him a call. He seemed knowledgeable and trustworthy. We contracted with him to repair the porch. The next day he built supports for the porch roof to prevent it from falling down.

Rick kept all of his appointments with me and called if he was going to be late. He consulted me with every decision. He went out of his way to bring me samples to choose from and then he returned them to the store. Once the crew started working, they were here every day until the job was completed. Rick was also here every day to check on the progress and talk to me about what would happen the next day.

The job was completed in a timely manner. The porch is beautiful and safe. I even got a credit for materials that were ordered but not used. WHO does that? Quality Homes & Maintenance and I highly recommend them for your home improvement needs.

Tela Fountain
Sumpter Township

"Out of clutter, find simplicity."
- Albert Einstein

My birthday wish is for you to vote for me

To the editor and the people of Sumpter Township:

Seventy-one years ago, Oct. 15, 1948, is the day I was born. I was born two months premature. My only birthday wish is for the people of Sumpter Township to vote for me as supervisor in the coming 2020 election and to fulfill my promise to bring Sumpter forward for a better tomorrow.

I am very confident in the team of people I was fortunate to bring together. I am prepared to address the problems with the township because we have been able to identify most of the core complications. Many residents active within the community agree the township is controlled and manipulated by two unelected officials with residence outside of Sumpter.

I have lived a very fulfilling life, and hope to leave behind a positive legacy and bring light and life back to the people afflicted by the mishandling of this beautiful town. I am not afraid to face the administration head-on, no matter what threats lie ahead. Since the day I announced my intentions to run for supervisor, I spend many nights unable to sleep, waking up four to five times every evening.

Sumpter Township is a very nice place with a lot of potential. It's not too late to correct the issues holding our township back, but we are losing time and lacking the right people to step up and make the changes necessary.

In my honest opinion, the only department which has been neglected and under-funded is the Sumpter Township Fire Department. This is an issue I plan to address as well if elected supervisor.

Respectfully yours,
Nelson S. Po
Sumpter Township

Any comments are appreciated and you can send me a note here: P.O. Box 2293, Belleville, MI 48112 or NelsonPo8822@gmail.com .

We need trees for Museum tree festival

To the editor:

It's nearing time for us to decorate the museum for the holidays. Once Halloween is over, the cobwebs will come down and trees will go up for our 24th-annual Belle Noelle Holiday Festival that runs Nov. 21 - Dec. 21.

Community organizations, businesses, and individuals make this event a must-see every year and serves as a great advertisement. It's a win-win! Our busiest time of the year sees over 1,000 people come through the museum in December alone. We hope you choose to participate!

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More Letters

Our 'Front Door' is blocked by an elephant!

To the editor:

As we all heard and then cheered, several months ago, that there's going to be a new set of stores, businesses, and restaurants on the corner of Main and North Liberty, it will certainly be a great Front Door to our lovely city.

But wait, there's an "elephant in the room" that I have yet to see anything being done to resolve, let alone even mentioned by the Mayor, City Council, DDA, Chamber of Commerce, or even Scott Jones, the new owner, or the VBT architect (Wayde Hoppe).

What in the world is this elephant? It's the traffic light and intersection on the corner of Belleville Road (and Main Street) and North Liberty (and Denton). A "bottleneck" during rush hour now and it's about to become "the elephant" once the new shopping/business center opens for business.

So, tell me more. Today there are hundreds of vehicles that pass through this intersection daily. It's really only a two-lane road/intersection bordered on three sides by Belleville Lake. One traffic signal, and NO left turn arrow. If you are trying to turn left onto North Liberty during the hours of 7 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., GOOD LUCK (you have two seconds to complete that turn as the yellow light turns to red in two seconds).

It is common to see cars running the red light in either direction (trying to advance onto Belleville Road from Main) or turning on the red light onto North Liberty. Why is this a problem? It's actually a blind intersection because the Lakeview Tavern blocks that corner and cars speed around the corner from Main onto Belleville Road while people are trying to turn left onto North Liberty or left from North Liberty onto Main Street. If you are pedestrian or riding your bicycle, good luck and watch out for vehicles, because they are only trying to get through the light.

The police have a field day just about anytime they want, and each ticket is \$150. Turning on Red, Proceeding through Red, speeding from Belleville Road two lanes that turn into one lane at the intersection, and so on. It's an accident just waiting to happen. Now, let's move ahead six months. Now our Front Door has a shopping / business center with 119 parking spaces which will overflow onto North Liberty and Main. Many more vehicles will want to turn left from Belleville Road, and Main Street, left and right from North Liberty.

This is a "train wreck" waiting to happen. I guess the blind corner could be resolved (but the Lakeview Tavern owners say "we are not moving") and did I mention there's the lake on three sides? We can hire more police to help route the traffic, or as a start we could install a Turn Signal to allow cars to turn legally and safely. But that, too, would impact the traffic fines bonanza now enjoyed by the local authorities.

So, why hasn't this been addressed? Is it money? There was no or limited discussion

on the ton of cash spent on the dangerous walkway over I-94, which is used by less than a handful of people, ever. We are talking about an intersection used by hundreds every day and so many more, soon. Yet there's no acknowledgement that there's an elephant in the room, at our front door!

We have an election upon us and I would challenge the following people to get busy and address this elephant at our Front Door:

Mayor Kerreen Conley (seeking her third, 4-year term); City Council candidates Kelly Bates, Jack Loria, Kenneth Voigt, Aafrika

Broadus Poole; DDA Coordinator Carol Thompson; Belleville Chamber of Commerce Randy Brown; Scott Jones.

These are the voices of Belleville. They carry the weight to make things happen. They speak for all of us.

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Obituaries



Mary Jo LaRose-O'Kelley

MARY JO LaROSE-O'KELLEY

(February 28, 1958 -- October 4, 2019)

Mary Jo LaRose-O'Kelley, 61, of Romulus passed away on Friday, October 4, 2019 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born on February 28, 1958 in Escanaba, Michigan, a daughter of Joseph and Theresa LaRose.

She enjoyed cooking and gardening. She loved her family at Trinity Episcopal Church in Belleville. Mary's greatest joy in life was spending time with her beloved family and her pets. Prior to her retirement she had been employed by U of M Hospital as a Medical Registrar.

Mary is survived by her loving husband Keith Serbick. She was the adored mother of Jaime (Dan) Ezell, Angel Farnstrom and Jacquilin (David) Sauer. Precious grandmother of Courtney, Daniel, Michael, Lily and Zach. Sister of Dennis, Charlotte, Pamela and Troy. Also survived by many loving extended family members and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, 2 sisters Sue and Cathy and 3 grandchildren, Christian, Seth and Samuel.

Visitation for Mary will be held on Friday, October 11, 2019 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Higgerson & Neal Funeral Home, 209 Main St., Belleville, MI 48111 (734)-697-9400. Dignified Cremation Rites will be accorded.

ANNA JEAN BOBB

(February 5, 1925 – October 4, 2019)

Age 94. Longtime Sumpter resident. Survived by daughter Debra (Henry) Gibson, four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. Services are 11 a.m. Oct. 10 at David C. Brown Funeral Home.

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Leonard G. Gajda

LEONARD G. GAJDA

(December 16, 1937 – October 1, 2019)

Leonard G. Gajda, age 81, of Ypsilanti, MI, passed away early morning Tuesday, October 1, 2019, at his home. He was born December 16, 1937, in Detroit, MI, son of Leo & Mary (Przybylski) Gajda.

Leonard received a Bachelor of Mathematics degree from MIT, where he enjoyed being in a fraternity. He went on to receive a Master of Business Administration from Eastern Michigan University. Leonard worked at Ford Motor Company Headquarters for 30 years before he retired. He was an avid reader, enjoyed running, collecting stamps and adored his grandchildren. He also loved to travel and enjoyed spending summers in Prince Edward Island, Canada. He was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Ypsilanti, MI.

Mr. Gajda is survived by three sons: Marty Gajda of Lansing, MI, Pete (Suzanne) Gajda of Belleville, MI and Tim (Mary) Gajda of Holt, MI; four grandchildren: Robert (Cinda) Calderon of Westland, MI, Alexandra Gajda of Belleville, MI, Ciara (Travis) Harris of Holt, MI and Bernice Gajda of Okemos, MI; a great-grandson on-the-way, his step-mother Louise Gajda of New Boston, MI, siblings Marilyn (Frank) Shinkonis of Farmington Hills, MI, Matt (Kelly) Gajda of Grosse Ile, MI, Bill Gajda of Chattanooga, Tennessee, Amy Gajda (Dave Meyer) of New Orleans, Louisiana, Sally Gajda (Chris Albertson) of Muskegon, MI and Joe (Kristen) Gajda of Northville, MI; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Marie Bernadette (Bernice) Gajda in 1984, also a brother Ron Gajda.

Visitation was 3-8 p.m. Thursday, October 3, 2019, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 (734) 697-4500. There was pre-mass visitation at the church at 9 a.m. followed by the Funeral Mass held at 10 a.m. Friday, October 4, 2019, at St. John The Baptist Catholic Church, 1400 N. River, Ypsilanti, MI. Interment followed in St. John's Cemetery, Ypsilanti.

Memorial contributions may be made to Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP) at <https://www.psp.org/iwanttohelp/ways-to-give>.



Barbara A. Baynton

BARBARA A. BAYNTON

(February 24, 1936 – September 11, 2019)

Barbara died at age 83 in Arizona. She is a former Belleville resident and was born in Windsor, Ontario.

She worked a long career for Bell Telephone Company. She enjoyed reading, cooking, going to the movies, shopping, casino trips, and many family gatherings.

She is survived by a son Robert Voakes, daughter Rebecca Voakes Segeti; son-in-law Paul Segeti; long-time partner of her late son David, Karen Therrien; brother Dennis (Judy) Durocher, sister Cathy (Brenton) Curl; grandson Brandon Baker; and great-grandchildren Ryan Segeti and Brandon, Jr. and many family members and friends.

She was predeceased by son David Voakes and grandson Christopher Voakes-Segeti.

Her love and kindness will be missed by many. A Celebration of Life, hosted by the family, will be held 2-7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Moose Lodge #934, 45476 Harris Rd., Belleville, MI, (734) 325-7799.

ROGER DALE BRANNON

(July 25, 1946 – October 3, 2019)

Age 73, of Ann Arbor, died at St. Mary's Hospital, Livonia. In keeping with Mr. Brannon's wishes, there was a simple cremation. No public services are planned at this time. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home. www.davidcbrownfh.com

LINDA JO EVANS

(February 4, 1956 – October 1, 2019)

Age 63, of Willis. Survived by husband Richard, sister Lori (Allen) Perlick, nieces and nephews. Celebration of Life was held Oct. 5 at David C. Brown Funeral Home.

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Rita Esther Haynes

RITA ESTHER HAYNES

(September 23, 1923 – October 6, 2019)

Rita Esther Beauchene Haynes, 96, passed away Sunday, October 6, 2019 at her home.

Rita was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts to Charles and Lyda (Labbé) Beauchene in 1923. She married Harold Haynes, Jr. in 1949. She is preceded in death by her husband, Harold (1997), her parents, and her brothers Raymond Beauchene and Roland Beauchene. Rita is survived by her children: Bryant (Deborah) Haynes, Ronald Haynes, Mary Anne (James) Harris, Joseph Haynes, and Constance Haynes; six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Rita was a long-time member of St. Anthony Catholic Church where she served as the church Sacristan and Minister of the Eucharist. She was also a member of the St. Anthony's Ladies Guild, and enjoyed volunteering at St. Anthony's Catholic School, the Red Cross Blood Drive, Van Buren Township Senior Center, Cedar Wood Assisted Living facility, and St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. She enjoyed crocheting, bowling, and golfing (she even made a hole-in-one). Rita will be remembered for sending birthday cards to the many friends she had made, which was her way of keeping them in her thoughts and prayers.

Friends paid their respects at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive in Belleville on Tuesday, October 8, 2019. A rosary service was held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at the funeral home. A Funeral Mass was held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2019, at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave. in Belleville with visiting from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Church. Cremation rites have been accorded and Rita will be laid to rest to Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock, Michigan. Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to St. Joseph Mercy Home Care and Hospice, 34505 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48331.

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needs to be manned by others.

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"The overall proposal is to augment our 100% part-time fire fighting force by hiring six full-time fire fighters. The rest of our force will be filled in and maintained in the manner it has been maintained up until now," McNamara said.

He said the proposal has been a year in the making and was extensively discussed in administration meetings and in the board's budget hearings and the current budget reflects the six full-time hires.

After reviewing the numbers, Plante Moran did say although the numbers are sound, this would cause a large problem in the retiree medical benefits, he said. So, the board held off until removing retiree medical care for all its new employees and replaced it with the Retiree Health Care Savings Plan.

Failed opt-out vote

Later in the agenda, the board took a confusing vote on the proposal to exempt the township from 2011 Public Act 152. The township has opted out of PA 152 since 2011.

First, there was a motion to opt out, and then an unsuccessful motion by Miller to postpone, in order to get more information. Then Miller called the motion.

The vote was 4-3 to opt out, but a 2/3 majority vote is needed to pass that motion, so it failed, and some of those present thought it passed through the simple majority. Supervisor McNamara declared "motion passed."

The 80/20 option in the law also needs a vote to enact, meaning the employer pays 80% of healthcare and the employee 20%. Currently VBT employees pay 10% since the township had opted out in the past.

Voting in favor of opting out were Martin, Budd, McNamara, and Wright. Voting no were White, Miller and Frazier. Under the law, the municipality must opt-out by the end of the year, or it is considered opted in to a hard-cap version that spells out the amount the municipality can pay for health care.

Wright said the township is saving more than \$600,000 with the HRA health care plan in place with 10% and it's in all the union contracts.

Police Officer Adam Byrd, president of the POLC union, obviously thinking the motion to opt out had passed since McNamara said it had, thanked the board members who voted

yes to opt out of PA 152 and keep their union contracts intact. He said Budd and Wright worked hard in negotiations and the 10% is part of the POLC union contract.

Reportedly, after the meeting, Clerk Wright advised McNamara the motion had actually failed.

In other business in the two-hour-eight-minute meeting on Oct. 1, the board:

- Held a one-minute public hearing on the proposed budgets for 2020 at which no one from the public spoke;

- Approved the township board meeting schedule for 2020 and the township holiday schedule for 2020;

- Approved the supervisor's appointment of Peter Creal to the Environmental Commission until Oct. 1, 2020 to complete the unexpired term of Kess Emekpe. Also, approved were the reappointments of Tony Gibson, David Brownlee, and Norm DeBuck to the Environmental Commission with terms to expire Oct. 1, 2022;

- Approved the update to the Meal Reimbursement section of the Reimbursement of Travel, Meal and Lodging Expenses Policy that eliminates the annual township updates and will rely on costs established annually by the federal government;

- Approved the 2020 Water and Sewer Fee Schedule that includes a raise in water/sewer rates of 5% as of Jan. 1;

- Approved purchase of a 2019 Chevy Tahoe to be used by the on-duty shift supervisor of the fire department for \$37,268.75 at the state bid price. It will be purchased from Berger Chevrolet in Grand Rapids, but will be serviced locally. It was explained the Tahoe has more room in it for fire fighters in turnout gear than an Explorer. Additionally, Priority One Emergency in Canton will install \$8,553.65 worth of equipment and Majik Graphics in Clinton Township will do the graphics for \$675. All this is in the 2019 budget;

- Approved the personal services agreements for Alysha Albrecht and Ryan Nichols as communications specialists at a salary of \$55,000 each. Among their accomplishments, Albrecht worked for the City of Ann Arbor and Nichols worked making travel videos on Princess Lines;

- Approved the selection of Master Maintenance for the painting and floorings renovations to the Belleville Area Museum at a cost of \$32,984. The packing and temporary storing of everything in the museum is on another contract. The other bid for the renovation work came from Cross Renovation for \$78,000. Work is expected to be complete by the end of October. Frazier

said with a full-time director, she would like the museum to be open longer than 20 hours a week, the way it is now. White agreed it needed to be open longer;

- Approved the first reading of an ordinance with regards to required setbacks for non-conforming, single-family residential-zoned parcels with lake frontage. There are about 6-8 lots involved;

- Approved the selection of Natural Community Services for tree and brush removal at French Landing Park at a cost of \$24,900. This will be paid with money awarded from the Wayne County Park Millage. McNamara said \$19,000 has been spent to power wash and stain the dock, but in 5-10 years they will need a new dock. He said it is part of the Master Plan;

- Approved the final design of the township hall electronic message sign, designed by Veres Environmental Graphics and Signs (VEGAS) for the final cost of \$54,090. Installation is to begin at once;

- Removed from the agenda a proposal that had been for a similar electronic message sign to be erected in front of the Belleville Area Museum, but was changed because the City of Belleville did not approve of electronic signs in its ordinance. A non-electronic sign was presented at a cost of \$30,262, but some board members wanted the township to ask the city for an exception to its ordinance so the museum could have an electronic sign;

- Approved on a 5-2 vote a proposal for temporary full-time employees to get \$500 a month in lieu of taking insurance. Trustees White and Frazier voted no, since trustees only get \$250 in lieu of taking insurance. There is a temporary full-time employee

in the clerk's office. The designation of temporary full-time had to be added to the policy manual, as well;

- Approved an update to the manual for salaried employees with the language to reflect the retiree benefits changed effective Sept. 1 to receiving Health Care Savings accounts. Anyone hired prior to Sept. 1 would not be affected by these changes. The agenda item originally included officials elected after Sept. 1, 2019, but that part was removed after opposition during the work/study session; and

- Approved updated language to hire full-time firefighters in the MAFF contract, and approved updates to the MAFF, POLC Patrol and Dispatch, and POLC Command contracts to reflect the retiree benefits change effective Sept. 1, for new hires.

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• **Thursday, Oct. 10** – Douglas Brown will share pictures and stories from his time photographing President Harry Truman at 7 p.m. at the Homegrown Knowledge series at the Belleville Area District Library. This is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Refreshments provided.

• **Friday, Oct. 11** – Karaoke, 9-midnight, at Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd. Open to public.

• **Friday, Oct. 11** – The Lakes Dental Care at 6127 Rawsonville Road is offering free dental care to people aged 18 and older from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The first 150 people will be eligible. Information: (734) 879-1903.

• **Friday, Oct. 11** – The Belleville High School Class of 1959 is holding its 60th reunion, beginning at Johnny’s on the Lake at 2 p.m. and continuing at the 7 p.m. football game at BHS. Information: Bev Pink Brooks: bevdon1234@aol.com

• **Saturday, Oct. 12** – Coffee with a Van Buren Cop is from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at McDonalds on Belleville Road. Get to know township police officers over a cup of coffee.

• **Saturday, Oct. 12** – Breakfast with Van Buren Township Fire Fighters, all you can eat pancakes, includes three sausage links, coffee, juice or milk. 9 a.m. to noon. Adults \$5; kids 10 and under, \$3. Tickets at the door. Info: 699-8900, ex. 9416.

• **Saturday, Oct. 12** – The Belleville Community chorus and the Belleville Community Band are jointly hosting a spaghetti dinner fund raiser from 5 to 8 p.m. at Belleville United Methodist Church. \$12 each; tickets at the door.

• **Saturday, Oct. 12** – Harvest Fest celebration at the museum and library in downtown Belleville and the Harvest Market, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fourth Street Square. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Saturday, Oct. 12** – Roast Beef Dinner from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Community United Methodist Church, 11160 Olive St.,

Romulus. Cost \$10.

• **Sunday, Oct. 13** – Free Sunday Music from 2-5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Rd., Van Buren Township. Today the music is by Southern Express.

• **Monday, Oct. 14** – Coffee Hour with State Senator Erika Geiss, D-Taylor, is at 9 a.m. at Panera Bread, 23301 Eureka Rd., Taylor, and at 6:45 p.m. at Olympic Coney Island, 23748 West Rd., Brownstown Township, with State Rep. Darrin Camilleri, D-Brownstown. Senator Geiss’ district is partially in Van Buren Township.

• **Thursday, Oct. 17** – Bunco, 6-9 p.m. at the Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd. Open to public.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – “It’s Okay to Not Be Okay!” from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Belleville Freewill Baptist church, 750 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. Will include psychology professionals, round-table discussions, personal testimonies, and resources to help. Event is free, but would like RSVP by Oct. 15 to 734-828-4613.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – Monster Mutt Walk, 1-3 p.m., at Fourth Street Square. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – Belleville Area Museum’s Cemetery History Tour Fund Raiser featuring Tyler Cemetery, 3-5 p.m. Historical Society members, \$10; non-members, \$15.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – St. Anthony Men’s Club 50th-annual raffle and Halloween Dinner-Dance offers dinner tickets at \$20 each and raffle tickets for \$50 each or three for \$100. Tickets available at Garden Fantasy on Main St., Belleville.

Upcoming Meetings

• **Thursday, Oct. 10** – Keystone Academy board meeting at 6 p.m.

• **Monday, Oct. 14** – Van Buren Township work/study meeting, 4 p.m. Also, Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 15** – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 6 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Oct. 16** – Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

• **Monday, Oct. 21** – Belleville City Council, 6 p.m. special meeting at Belleville High School Commons to discuss public safety assessment. Regular council meeting follows at 7:30 p.m. in the same place.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 22** – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Water and Sewer Commission, 5:30 p.m.

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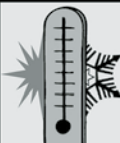
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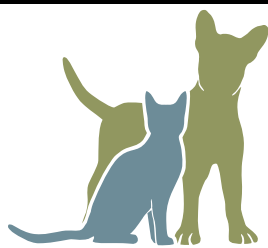


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Library to host 2020 Census Team to talk about local census jobs

The Belleville Area District Library will host a 2020 Census Team from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 19, to help people apply for census jobs.

Members of Michigan's Regional Census Office are visiting the library to discuss and answer any questions on available census jobs for the upcoming 2020 Census. In addition, they will be available to assist patrons on applying for those census jobs.

Belleville Wrestling Club offers 'open mats' through Oct. 29 at BHS

The Belleville Wrestling Club is offering "open mats" to give kids a time to try out the wrestling sport for free to see if it is something they might be interested in.

"Open mats" will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, now until Oct. 29 at the Belleville High School wrestling room. After that, the wrestling season starts and those interested can register to continue.

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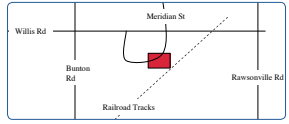
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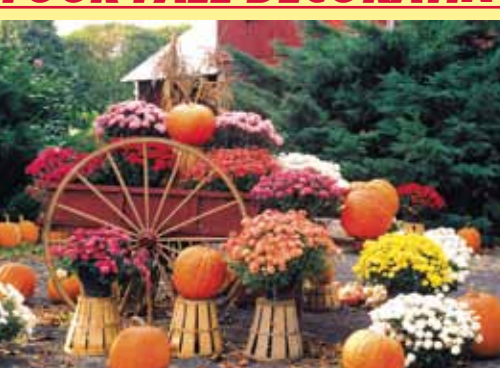


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Lincoln Schools increase enrollment for first time in a decade

On Oct. 2, schools across Michigan count the number of students in their classrooms. This is the first of two count days that will happen during the school year. The second will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020.

Schools will receive their State Aid payment based on 90% of the October count and 10% of the previous February's count day.

On Oct. 2, Lincoln School Supt. Sean McNatt said, "I am happy to report for the first time in a decade that our fall to fall count has INCREASED! Keep in mind, these are the preliminary numbers.

"Last year, on this day we had a head count of 3,684 students and the official full-time equivalency count came in at

3,689.54. Today, the student count for the district is 3,768 for an increase of 84 students."

Due to a small senior class and increased construction in the area, the district expects next year's overall count will increase for the second straight year, he said.

"I would personally like to thank each and every employee in our organization for the outstanding work that you do," Supt. McNatt said. "It is because of YOU that we are experiencing this growth."

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The Belleville Central Business Community is partnering with Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue to host the fourth annual costumed Monster Mutt Walk. The Walk will take place on the sidewalks starting from the 4th Street Square.

Registration will run from 1:00pm to 1:30pm in the 4th Street Square between the Bayou Grill & Egan's Pub. The fee is \$10 plus a can of dog or cat food. Advance registration is encouraged.

Medals will be awarded to 1st 2nd and 3rd in three categories: Scariest, Cutest and Best Mutt & Family (family must dress also). In fact, it would be fun for everyone to wear a costume.

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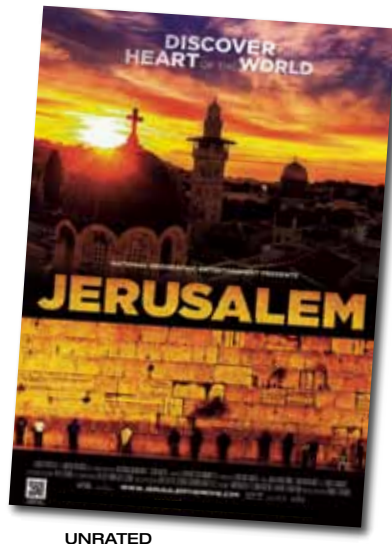
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‘Coffee with a Cop’ set Oct. 12 at Belleville Road McDonalds

Officers from Van Buren Township Police Department and community members will come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships, and drink coffee at Saturday's "Coffee with a Cop" event.

All community members are invited to attend. The event runs from 8:30 to 11 a.m. on Oct. 12 at the Belleville Road McDonalds.

The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happens during emergencies, or emotional situations, said Van Buren Township Public Safety Director Gregory Laurain. Those situations are not always the most effective times for relationship-building with the community, and some community members may feel that officers are unapproachable on the street.

"Coffee with a Cop" breaks down barriers and allows for a relaxed, one-on-one interaction, Director Laurain said.

"We hope that community members will feel comfortable to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our officers," Laurain said. "These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships."

"Coffee with a Cop" is a national initiative supported by The United States Department of Justice, Office of

Community Oriented Policing Services. Similar events are being held across the country, as local police departments strive to make lasting connections with the communities they serve.

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members, one cup of coffee at a time.

Questions may be directed to Laurain at (734) 699-8934 or glaurain@vanburen-mi.org.

VBT Fire Dept. sets Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Oct. 12

The Van Buren Township Fire Department will hold its annual Pancake Breakfast from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday, Oct. 12, at Fire Station #2 at 7981 Belleville Rd.

The menu features all-you-can-eat pancakes, with three sausage links, coffee, juice or milk. Adult tickets are \$5 each, with kids 10 and under, \$3. Tickets are available at the door.

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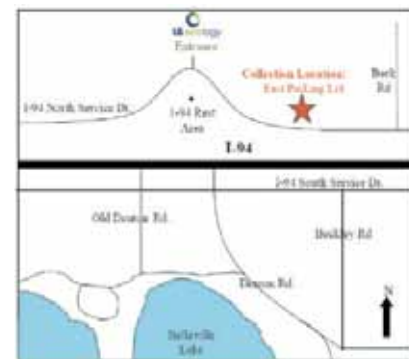
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City Council

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previous years, beginning at 9:45 a.m. Street closings include High between Main and Church, one lane of traffic on Main between Denton and High, one lane on the Denton Road bridge, and the closing of Main Street between Five Points and High Street briefly so runners can cover that area, as well. The event is sponsored by the Van Buren Public Schools Education Foundation and Tabitha Davenport was due to be present to submit the request, but Kollmeyer reported Davenport forgot about the meeting. The council approved the event anyway just before Davenport arrived, after rushing to be present;

- Witnessed Clerk Sherri Scharf open three sealed bids for a postage meter: Utec of Ann Arbor, 63-month lease, \$168/mo. or \$225/mo. for high volume; Pitney Bowes of Spokane, WA, 60-mo. lease for \$376.54/mo.; and Neopost of Milford, CN, 60-mo. lease for \$153.70/mo. The council turned the bids over to the administration to come back with a recommendation;

- Approved accounts payable of \$220,307.58 and the following purchases in excess of \$500: to C&R Lakeside Landscape, \$81,721 for the change order for seawall replacement; to Brown Funeral Home, \$6,359.16 for a bench damaged in the cemetery by city mowing (insurance claim filed with MMRMA); to Council of Western Wayne, \$3,406 for annual dues; to Metro Environmental, \$1,513.75 and \$768.75 for sewer backups; to Hennessey Engineers, \$1,363.75 for plan review of the 510 Main development, from escrow; to Wise Technologies, \$850.10 for CLEMIS/Network for police; to Pioneer Landscaping, \$800 for Horizon Park "rope" (paid for with a check from a city resident who wished to remain

anonymous); to Farmer & Underwood, \$677.38 for road restoration; and to Wayne County Accounts Receivable, \$630 for Dickerson lodging for police department;

- Heard Kelly Bates ask about the damaged fence in Village Park and Kollmeyer said the city has the name of the driver who hit it and are working on the insurance. Bates also asked about information on the island at Victoria Commons. Kollmeyer said Davenport will look into the problem when it can;

- Heard Kollmeyer say a car drove between Shannon's and State Farm on Main Street damaging the streetscape. They are looking for videos from nearby locations to identify the vehicle;

- Learned the city has asked Republic Waste to extend its waste pickup contract through the end of the year. Kollmeyer said they will advertise locally and through the MML website, and DPW Director Rick Rutherford already has reached out to other firms to ask for quotes. The new contract should be ready to start on the first of the year, she said;

- Heard Bates ask about trees in Victoria Commons that have to be removed and Kollmeyer said the city was looking at them. Kollmeyer said the tree at Doane's Landing will be coming down, as well, since it is dying. She said the tree, donated and placed there as a Christmas tree, was not decorated last year because of its condition; and

- Heard Mayor Pro Tem Jack Loria, who was chairing the meeting, tell Bates that if she has questions in the future, she doesn't need to wait until a meeting to ask them. He said the city manager is in the office every day and will answer her questions.

More Letters

Thank you, St. Jude

To the editor:

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Van Buren Township's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is this Saturday, Oct. 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at US Ecology's East Parking Lot, located at 49350 North I-94 Service Drive. See their half page ad for a list of acceptable and unacceptable items. The drop-off event is free for Van Buren Township residents only. For other info, call VBT's Community Services Department at (734) 699-8926.

The city's annual Harvest Fest is this Saturday, Oct. 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. along Main Street, between Roys Street and 4th Street and at the 4th Street Square. Family orientated activities are scheduled at the library and museum with the last farmer's market and craft show of the season across the street in the square. Belleville A&W and Kona Ice will be providing discounted food items. Live music with Joyous Noise will perform from noon until 3 p.m. and the museum's popular nickel dig is at 2 p.m. Kids can chalk up the street with me next to the museum. Stop over and say hi. Be sure to check out the official Booville calendar of events at www.buyitinbelleville.com. The Belleville Area District Library, Belleville Area Museum, and the Belleville Central Business Community puts on the annual event with sponsorships from DTE Energy, Wayne County Community College

District, and Belleville DDA. Be sure to also check out the scarecrows that are scattered up and down Main Street. Shop, dine, and have some fun locally.

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue of Sumpter and Coldwell Bankers Professionals of Belleville have teamed up to bring a pet meet and greet adoption event this Saturday, Oct. 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at their set-up tent on Roys Street during Harvest Festival. FMAR will have some dogs and cats available for adoption. A scavenger hunt and other games are scheduled. Call (734) 697-1800.

Yankee Air Museum presents a Halloween Spooktacular with free admission on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at its Willow Run Airport location. Museum activities include spooky games and trick-or-treating. A helicopter candy drop is scheduled for 1 p.m. Call (734) 483-4030.

Today's paper features an insert by Tractor Supply, Inc., with locations in Canton on Michigan Avenue, Saline, Monroe, and Trenton. Visit www.tractorsupply.com for hours. To learn more on how you can have your advertisement or flyer inserted into this newspaper, call me at (734) 699-9020.

Belleville Church of God on Hull Road next to the VBT Fire Station is holding a free Candy Bash, trunk or treat event on Friday, Oct. 11, from 6 to 8 p.m. on the church grounds. Activities include food, games, and inflatables.

Congratulations to members of the Belleville High School Varsity Football team as they improved to 6-0 with a 20-19 victory over Dearborn Fordson on Oct. 4. It was a battle of two unbeaten teams. Tomorrow Belleville hosts Livonia Stevenson at 7 p.m. Go Tigers!

Do you have a business item you would like to see in this column? Call Bob Mytych at (734) 699-9020 with your suggestion. There is no charge to be in this column.

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City of Belleville Public Notice



Hillside Cemetery Advisory Committee

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

**Flag Placement for Veterans' Day 2019
8:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 26th
(Rain date: November 9th)**



The Cemetery Advisory Committee will be placing American Flags on the graves of all veterans who are buried at Hillside Cemetery on Denton Road.

We will begin placing flags on Saturday, October 26th at 8:30 a.m. and need volunteers to help. Each Cemetery section takes only about one hour of work.

Please consider this small sacrifice of time and join us to honor our veterans who fought to keep us free.



Sherri Scharf
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNDERSIGNED THAT ON **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. at J&T Towing, 287 Industrial Park Drive, Belleville, County of Wayne, Michigan** a public sale of the following vehicle will be held:

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**DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2019 BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
6 MAIN STREET
PUBLISH: OCTOBER 10, 2019 BELLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 48111
BY SHERRI SCHARF, CITY CLERK**

Sumpter Police Dept. posts arrest on Facebook Page last Friday

The following was posted on the Sumpter Township Police Facebook Page at 4:16 p.m., Oct. 5:

Tyler Hancock, 22, of Belleville was arraigned earlier today in the 34th District Court on a total of six charges: three felony counts of False Report or Threat of Terrorism and three felony counts of using a computer to commit a crime. He was given a total of \$110,000/10% bond and ordered to wear a tether [if released].

The charges follow a joint investigation by Sumpter Township and Belleville police. The investigation was a result of

several recent threats of violence made against both police departments and Van Buren Public Schools, [allegedly] by Hancock through fake social media and email accounts he created.

Red Cross Blood Drive set Oct. 21 at First United Methodist Church

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 1 to 6:45 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 21, at First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St., in Belleville.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 1, 2019

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller, and Trustee White. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Executive Assistant Selman, Public Safety Director Laurain and Deputy Director (Police) Wright, Fire Chief Brow, Director of Public Services Best, Human Resource Director Sumpter, Executive Assistant Renaud, Fire Marshall McNally, Water and Sewer Director Taylor, DDA Deputy Director Lothringer and an audience of thirty-two (32).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA:

Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda
ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Martin moved, Budd seconded to approve the revised agenda with the removal of consent agenda #18 Approval of the update to the Meal Reimbursement section of the Reimbursement of Travel, Meal and Lodging Expenses Policy. Motion Carried.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA: Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. [Board Meeting minutes of September 3, 2019, Special Board Meeting minutes of September 23, 2019, Closed Session minutes of September 23, 2019, Prepaid List of September 5, 2019, Prepaid List of September 12, 2019, Prepaid List of September 19, 2019, Prepaid List of September 26, 2019, Voucher List of September 17, 2019, Voucher List of October 1, 2019, Approval of the 2020 Holiday Schedule, Approval of the 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule, Approval of Resolution 2019-20 the 2020 Department Fee Schedules, Approval of the appointment of Peter Creal to the Environmental Commission to fill the unexpired term of former commissioner Emekpe with a term to expire 10-01-2020, Approval of the re-appointment of Tony Gibson to the Environmental Commission with a term to expire 10-01-2022, Approval of the re-appointment of David Brownlee to the Environmental Commission with a term to expire 10-01-2022, Approval of the re-appointment of Norm DeBuck to the Environmental Commission with a term to expire 10-01-2022, Approval of the update in the Salaried employee's manual with language to reflect the Retiree Benefits change effective September 1, 2019 to receiving a Health

Care Savings account. Employees hired prior to September 1, 2019 will not be affected, Approval of updated language to hire Full-Time firefighters in the MAFF contract, Approval of the updates to the MAFF, POLC Patrol and Dispatch, and POLC Command contracts to reflect the retiree benefits change effective September 1, 2019 for new hires. Anyone hired prior to September 1, 2019 will not be affected by these changes]. Motion Carried.

C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

Fire Chief Amy Brow brought forth candidates Ronald Folks, Doug Doty, Dan Walter, Ryan Smith, Aaron Ladach and Bronson Campbell who were sworn in by Clerk Wright as full-time Firefighters.

Announcements included the following: September Days Senior Center & CVS Pharmacy are offering Flu Shots Friday, October 11th at the Township Hall appointment required; Breakfast with your Firefighters all you can eat pancakes and three sausage links is October 12, 2019 from 9 a.m. until noon 7981 Belleville Rd. Adults \$5.00, Kids \$3.00 tickets may be purchased at the door; the annual Harvest Fest will occur on Saturday, October 12th from 11 a.m.-3 pm this free event will be held at the Belleville Area Museum and the Library; Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is Saturday, October 12th from 9 am-2 pm. This is a free, one day drop-off for Van Buren Residents that will be located at US Ecology east parking lot, 49350 North I-94 Service Dr. Call 734-699-8926 for a list of acceptable items or visit the Township website www.vanburen-mi.org; a Veterans Day Luncheon sponsored by Yankee Air Museum & Regency at Canton will be held at the September Days Senior Center on Thursday, November 7th at noon. All are invited. Please R.S.V.P. to 734-699-8918 by Monday, November 4th. The luncheon cost is \$3.00 per person; the Van Buren Township Master Plan workshop open house is Wednesday, October 2, 2019 from 3 pm-8pm. This is an opportunity for you to share your future vision of the Township and the Parks and Recreation Department will hold a free Candy Loop on Saturday October 26, 2019 from 4 pm- 6 pm at Quirk Park behind Township Hall. This event will be held rain or shine and will be moved indoors if necessary. Canned food donations will also be collected during this event, a Special Election for voters in the Van Buren School District will be held November 5, 2019. No reason absentee voting is available for everyone who wishes to vote by mail.

PUBLIC HEARING: Frazier moved, Miller seconded to open the Public Hearing at 6:34 p.m. to receive public comment on

- The 2019 Amended and 2020 Proposed General Fund Budget
- The 2020 Salary Wage Schedule
- The 2019 Amended and 2020 Water and Sewer Budget
- The 2019 Amended and 2020 Special Revenue Funds:

1. Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
2. Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) Fund
3. Landfill Fund
4. Belleville Area Museum
5. 9-1-1 Service Fund
6. Federal Forfeiture Fund
7. State Forfeiture Fund
8. Long Term Debt Fund
9. Capital Improvement Fund

Motion Carried. No public comment was received Miller moved Martin seconded to close the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business): None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budd moved, Wright seconded to approve the purchase of a 2019 Chevy Tahoe to be utilized by the on-duty shift Supervisor of the Fire Department in the amount of \$46,497.40 to be expensed out of the 2019 Capital Outlay (#101-336-970-000). Motion Carried. Cost of the vehicle is determined utilizing the state acceptable price agreement.

Martin moved, Miller seconded to approve Resolution 2019-21 the 2020 Water and Sewer Fee Schedules. Motion Carried. No fees were change from 2019. A 5% water fee increase will be in effect January 1, 2020.

Miller moved, Frazier seconded to approve the Personal Service Agreement for Alysha Albrecht for the position of Communications Specialist. Motion Carried.

Miller moved, Frazier seconded to approve the Personal Service Agreement for Ryan Nichols for the position of Communication Specialist. Motion Carried.

Budd moved, Miller seconded to approve the selection of Master Maintenance for the painting and flooring renovations at the Belleville Area Museum. Motion Carried. Museum will be closed October 13-26 which will not affect Harvest fest.

Budd moved, Frazier seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 10-01-19 to modify the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance with regards to required setbacks for non-conforming single family residential zoned parcels with lake frontage. Motion Carried. The ordinance will allow the, less than eight, non-conforming lots to be developed. Motion Carried.

Martin moved, Miller seconded to approve the selection of Natural Community Services for tree and brush removal at French Landing Park. Motion Carried.

Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the final design of the Township Hall Electronic Message Sign, designed by Veres Environmental Graphics and Signs (VEGAS) for the final cost of \$54,090.00 with the expense to be paid under the Building and Grounds Capital Outlay Account 101-265-970-000. Motion Carried.

Budd moved, Wright seconded to approve the update to section 3.01 Eligibility of Benefits in Policies and Procedures manual. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Martin, Miller. Nays: Frazier and White. Motion Carried. Addition of language to the manual to include temporary full-time personnel as it pertains to in lieu of health care.

Wright moved, Budd seconded to approve Resolution 2019-23 to exempt the Township from 2011 Public Act 152. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright and Martin. Nays: Frazier, Miller and White. Motion Failed. Annual 2/3 vote of the governing body required. Miller moved, Frazier seconded to postpone. Roll Call Vote. Nays: Wright, Budd, Martin, McNamara Yeas: Frazier, Miller. Motion Failed. Miller called the question.

REPORTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Union President Byrd thanked the members voting in favor of the opt out and the contract negotiation team.

BOARD COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Board member commented that they wanted more information about Opt Out and another commented that she is always fiscally responsible.

ADJOURNMENT: Miller moved, Martin seconded to adjourn at 8:05p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
Publish: October 10, 2019

Court Watching:

Charges dropped against Webber for larceny in building

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

A charge of larceny in a building on Oct. 19, 2018 at the Secretary of State office in Belleville against Vincent Paul Webber, 57, was dismissed by 34th District Court Judge David Parrott at a court session Oct. 2.

The Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Holland Roper asked Judge Parrott to dismiss the charge, without prejudice, which means it could be reinstated in the future.

On Sept. 25, Webber, of Monroe, was due for his preliminary exam on the charge before Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green, but because of an error in Belleville the witnesses had not been subpoenaed to testify and Judge Green agreed to adjourn the exam for a week.

On Oct. 2, the officer in charge of the case Belleville Officer Jeff Wickham was present and reportedly the witnesses were present to testify.

Court appointed defense attorney was

Steven Moss. Webber was free after posting bond of \$2,000/10% and the bond was returned.

**Aaliyah Kellie Hargett
Kellie Marie Hargett**

Aaliyah Kellie Hargett, 24, and Kellie Marie Hargett, 41, both of Ecorse, waived their preliminary exams before Judge Parrott and were bound over to circuit court for an Oct. 16 arraignment on the information on charges from a Sept. 10 incident in Van Buren Township.

Aaliyah is charged with felony assault and assault and battery. Kellie is charged with two counts of felony assault, two counts of weapons (using a self-defense spray device), and two counts of assault and battery.

Both defendants were free after each posting bond of \$2,000/10%. Court appointed defense attorney Roderick Green represented Aaliyah and court-appointed attorney Michael Woodyard represented Kellie.

Judge Parrott said the file shows that Aaliyah owes money to the court on another case and so she was directed to the cashiers.

Both were advised not to return to an apartment at 48961 Denton Rd.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller (via teleconference), and Trustee White. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Downtown Development Director Ireland, Director of Public Services Best, Executive Assistant Selman, Assessing Coordinator Stevenson and an audience of one (1).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA: Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Frazier moved, White seconded to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

CLOSED SESSION: Frazier moved, Martin seconded to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(d) to consider the purchase or lease of real property at 11:03 a.m. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Motion Carried.

The Board Meeting reconvened at 11: 34 a.m.
NEW BUSINESS: Wright moved, White

seconded to approve the purchase of Parcel ID: 83-035-99-0001-702 from Ford Motor Land Development Corporation at the amount of \$1,500,000.00 to be expensed from Landfill Fund-Line Item: 260-000-970-000 with additional \$50,000 for any incidental closing cost upon the terms and conditions set forth in a purchase agreement between the parties and to authorize the Supervisor to execute a Purchase Agreement for the acquisition of real property and, upon acceptance of the Township's offer by Ford Motor Land Development Corporation to take whatever action is necessary to complete and close the purchase transaction. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Motion Carried. The 181-acre parcel is located at the northwest corner of Belleville and Tyler Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

BOARD COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

ADJOURNMENT: Budd moved; Miller seconded to adjourn at 11:47 a.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
Published: October 10, 2019

 City of Belleville Public Notice

**City of Belleville
PUBLIC NOTICE
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**



The Belleville City Council will hold a Public Information Meeting on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commons at Belleville High School, 501 W. Columbia Ave. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and receive comments on the ballot proposal for a Public Safety Special Assessment.

Sherri Scharf,
City Clerk/Treasurer
Publish: October 10 & 17, 2019

 City of Belleville Public Notice

**CITY OF BELLEVILLE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST**

To the qualified electors of the City of Belleville, Wayne County, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that a Public Accuracy Test for the electronic equipment that will be used in Precincts 1 & 2 for the November 5, 2019 City General Election is scheduled for Thursday, October 17th at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer programming used to tabulate the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of Michigan Election Law.

Sherri Scharf, Clerk
City of Belleville

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST**

OCTOBER 14, 2019

3:30 p.m.

TOWNSHIP HALL

46425 TYLER RD.

In compliance with State Election Law 168 Section 798, a Public Hearing will be conducted on Monday, October 14 2019 at 3:30 p.m. in the Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville, Michigan. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate the program and computer that will be used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law for the Special Election to be held Tuesday, November 5, 2019. Said meeting is open to the public and any concerned citizens may attend. The Charter Township of Van Buren will provide, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations with advance notice to the Clerk's Office, 734.699.8909.

Leon Wright
Township Clerk

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

Seeking Demolition Bids

Notice of Advertisement

Seeking Demolition Bids. The Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, MI will receive bids for the **demolition, removal, and disposal of detached garage and lean-to at 13970 Haggerty Road (Parcel Number V125-83-098-99-0023-000)**. Bid forms and demolition work specifications are available at the Office of the Township Clerk, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111, from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday — Friday or on the Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org. Bids shall be submitted to the Clerk's Office by **11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 22, 2019** and will be publicly opened immediately following the closing of the bid. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids and reserves the right not to award a contract. Van Buren Township is an equal opportunity employer. This project will be funded with federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Notice was published on Township website and Notice Board on October 1, 2019.
Published in the Belleville Independent on October 10, 2019.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

Seeking Demolition Bids

Notice of Advertisement

Seeking Demolition Bids. The Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, MI will receive bids for the **demolition, removal, and disposal of all structures and debris at 6935 Belleville Road (Parcel Number V125-83-011-99-0010-000)**. Bid forms and demolition work specifications are available at the Office of the Township Clerk, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111, from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday — Friday or on the Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org. Bids shall be submitted to the Clerk's Office by **11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 22, 2019** and will be publicly opened immediately following the closing of the bid. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids and reserves the right not to award a contract. Van Buren Township is an equal opportunity employer. This project will be funded with federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

1 Out of the 425 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police for these past seven days, the following are selected for this column.

Sunday, Sept. 29:

1051 – road hazard, Belleville/WB I-94
1245 – suspicious person/vehicle, Harmony Ln.
1259 – private property impound, Rose Blvd.
1340 – fraud, Savage Rd.
1404 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Belleville Rd.
1558 – property damage accident, E. Archwood
1745 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1744 – domestic, Parkwood Dr.
1916 – assault & battery, Denton Rd.
2024 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2108 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
2118 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.
2125 – property damage accident, Van Born / Haggerty
2233 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.

Monday, Sept. 30:

0110 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
0657 – 911 welfare check, Meadows Ln.
1032 – animal complaint, Hannan Rd.
1218 – assist other dept., Rawsonville Rd.
1242 – larceny, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1624 – larceny from auto, N. Cumberland Dr.
1710 – malicious destruction of property, W. Archwood Dr.
1731 – malicious destruction of property, Rawsonville Rd.
1812 – malicious destruction of property, S. Bellridge Dr.
1910 – traffic offense, Wildbrook Dr./Savage Rd.
2102 – assist other dept., Victorian
2209 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, W. Archwood Dr.
2218 – animal complaint, Village Green Ln.
2251 – family trouble, Holly Ln.
2331 – 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.

Tuesday, Oct. 1:

0032 – animal complaint, Oak Blvd.
0415 – family trouble, Oak Blvd.
0727 – threat, Parkwood Dr.
0829 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.
0833 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Presidential Dr.
0850 – malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0858 – assist other dept., Lighthouse Dr.
1037 – road hazard, Denton Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.
1404 – suicidal person, S. Bellridge Dr.
1411 – private property/property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1432 – family trouble, E. Archwood Dr.
1558 – suspicious person/vehicle, Quirk Rd.
1555 – suspicious person/vehicle, Oak In.
1628 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd.
1634 – property damage accident, Rawsonville
1708 – fraud, Clayton Rd.
1744 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1757 – private property impound, Rawsonville
1930 – harassment call, Belleville Rd.
2047 – threat, S. Ponderosa Trl.
2104 – fraud, Belleville Rd.

Wednesday, Oct. 2:

0042 – family trouble, Woodbury Dr.
0247 – 911 welfare check, Haggerty Rd.
0307 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.
0505 – assist other dept., Victorian
0727 – property damage accident, Rawsonville
0816 – road hazard, Haggerty Rd./Ecorse Rd.
0848 – juvenile complaint, E. Sadie Ln.
1319 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service
1335 – threat, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1513 – malicious destruction of property, Bellridge
1526 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr./Belleville Rd.
1549 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1606 – suicidal person, Anna Dr.
1933 – malicious destruction of property, Buchanan St.
2029 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
2310 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sumpter Rd.

Thursday, Oct. 3:

0026 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd. / W. I-94
Belleville ramp

0043 – suspicious person/vehicle, Brandi Dr.
0402 – 911 welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0556 – malicious destruction of property, Lighthouse
0743 – domestic, Denton Rd.
0753 – larceny from auto, Lake Villa Dr.
0955 – larceny from auto, Meadows Cir.
1110 – larceny from auto, Village Green Ln.
1111 – suicidal person, Maple Dr.
1209 – animal complaint, Dewitt Rd.
1233 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1302 – abandoned auto, Ecorse Rd./Hannan Rd.
1308 – family trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1414 – disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1453 – found property/child, Belleville Rd.
1513 – family trouble, Cross St.
1538 – abandoned auto, Van Born
1545 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1621 – follow up by officer, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1710 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
1909 – suspicious person/vehicle, Bemis Rd. / Rawsonville Rd.
1942 – malicious destruction of property, Daisy Blvd.
2104 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
2117 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2209 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2229 – assist other dept., Oak Ln.
2231 – noise complaint, Westlake Cir.
2244 – assist other dept., Belleville/Venetian

Friday, Oct. 4:

0804 – malicious destruction of property, Hardwood Dr.
1100 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1151 – abandoned auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1159 – abandoned auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1210 – abandoned auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1459 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Oak Ln.
1537 – property damage accident, Van Born
1558 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Haggerty Rd.
1716 – noise complaint, Maple Dr.
1754 – found property/child, Tyler Rd.
1942 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1949 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd.
2035 – animal complaint, Ayres Ave.
2147 – domestic, Chandler
2251 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
2345 – warrant arrest, Fox Auto
Saturday, Oct. 5:
0107 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
0257 – operating while intoxicated, Tyler/Haggerty
0315 – suspicious person/vehicle, Reene Dr. / Marina Dr.
0458 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
0654 – family trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0941 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.
1107 – family trouble, W. Archwood Dr.
1455 – neighbor trouble, Parkwood Dr.
1521 – runaway, Hull Rd.
1615 – property damage accident, Hannan Rd. / Huron River Dr.
1644 – threat, Outer Dr.
1649 – private property/property damage accident, Rose Blvd.
1717 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River Dr. / Hoeft Rd.
1916 – noise complaint, Maple Dr.
2215 – personal injury accident, Michigan/Denton

Also on this week's log are 130 traffic stops, with 20 of them on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Sept. 29:

0107 – assist citizen, Santa Clara St.
0932 – assist fire dept., Santa Clara St.
1054 – assist fire dept., San Carlos St.
1900 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Liberty St.
2232 – assist citizen, High St./Main St.
Monday, Sept. 30:
0045 – vehicle lock out, Main St.
0100 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave. / Main St.
0747 – missing person, Owen St.
1128 – larceny, S. Industrial Park Dr.
1448 – private property/property damage accident, W. Columbia Ave.

1901 – missing person, Belle Villa Blvd.
2027 – family trouble, Church St.
2049 – civil matter, N. Liberty St.
2053 – warrant arrest, Wayne County
2058 – juvenile complaint, Victorian Ln.
2243 – assist fire dept., Main St.
2343 – warrant arrest, Quirk
Tuesday, Oct. 1:
0317 – warrant arrest, Main St.
0702 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Huron River Dr. / Madelon St.
1336 – vehicle lock out, Main St.
1635 – harassment call, Henry St.
1832 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
2347 – vehicle lockout, Carmell St.

Wednesday, Oct. 2:

0107 – civil matter, N. Edgemont Ave.
0501 – suspicious person/vehicle, Victorian Ct.
0803 – warrant arrest, Quirk
0823 – civil matter, S. Edgemont Ave.
0834 – property damage accident, E. Davis/South
1026 – threat, W. Columbia Ave.
1108 – abandoned auto, South St.
1116 – abandoned auto, South St.
1221 – disorderly, Main St.
1611 – suspicious person/vehicle, Church St. / W. Columbia Ave.
1838 – miscellaneous complaint, Church St.
2036 – assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.
2220 – noise complaint, Anaheim

Thursday, Oct. 3:

0546 – civil matter, Menlo Park Dr.
1044 – larceny, W. Columbia Ave.
1301 – missing person, Main St.
1457 – disorderly, N. Liberty St.
1527 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Carmell
1541 – malicious destruction of property, Main St.
2029 – suspicious person/vehicle, Henry St.
2132 – follow up by officer, Church St.

Friday, Oct. 4:

0620 – motorist assist, Main St./E. Columbia Ave.
0937 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1032 – follow up by officer, Henry St.
1410 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1457 – missing person, W. Columbia Ave.
1956 – civil matter, Church St.
2118 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tornados Pizza

Saturday, Oct. 5:

0146 – suspicious person/vehicle, Anaheim
0207 – domestic, Belle Villa Blvd.
0331 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Huron River
0921 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.
1222 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
1408 – threat, S. Edgemont Ave.
1416 – 911 welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd.
1431 – vehicle lock out, Carmell St.
2238 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sumpter Rd.

Also on this week's log are 22 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Sept. 29:

0235 – property damage accident, Rawsonville / Judd
0356 – noise complaint, Rustic Ln.
0804 – suspicious incident, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.
0833 – alarm, 50000 bl. Arkona Rd.
0839 – family trouble, 23000 bl. Carleton West
1317 – civil dispute, Hampshire
1434 – animal complaint, Rawsonville/Willis
1554 – 911 hang up, 22000 bl. Clark Rd.
1752 – civil dispute, Rustic Ln.
2005 – civil dispute, Nevada
2045 – property damage accident, Harris/Savage

Monday, Sept. 30:

0000 – malicious destruction of property, 24000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0200 – warrant arrest pick up, out of township
0226 – alarm, 22000 bl. Carleton West Rd.
0507 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
0559 – missing person, 20000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0800 – fire dept. assist, Wyoming
1045 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1154 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
1338 – civil dispute, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1527 – suspicious incident, 24000 bl. Sherwood
1533 – 911 hang up, 18000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1538 – alarm, 24000 bl. Karr Rd.
1607 – civil dispute, Virginia
1727 – civil dispute, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.

2041 – suspicious incident, Elwell/Judd
2231 – suspicious incident, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
Tuesday, Oct. 1:
0919 – subpoena service, 18000 bl. Martinsville
1506 – animal complaint, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1514 – breaking & entering, 20000 bl. Wilmot Rd.
1624 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.
1648 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
1728 – assist other agency, Willis/Rawsonville
1758 – subpoena service, 18000 bl. Martinsville
1845 – civil dispute, Nevada
2324 – suspicious person, Rawsonville/Bemis

Wednesday, Oct. 2:

0021 – warrant arrest pick up, out of township
0701 – traffic hazard, Martinsville/Judd
0855 – assist other agency, out of township
1242 – suspicious vehicle, 8100 bl. Rawsonville
1513 – juvenile complaint, 46000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1659 – dumping complaint, 20000 bl. Martinsville
1727 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1933 – traffic hazard, Harris/Savage
2045 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.
2050 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
2210 – flee & elude, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2304 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.

Thursday, Oct. 3:

0115 – alarm, 8500 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0429 – fire dept. assist, Redwood Ct.
0722 – fire dept. assist, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.
1034 – civil dispute, 18000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1251 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Fenster
1328 – civil dispute, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
1403 – animal complaint, 51000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1619 – 911 hang up, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1624 – juvenile complaint, 25000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1647 – animal complaint, 18000 bl. Martinsville
1649 – disorderly person, Knollwood Dr.
1654 – fraud complaint, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1800 – breaking & entering, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1813 – citizen assist, Rustic Ln.
1819 – missing recovered, 25000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2202 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.

Friday, Oct. 4:

0620 – animal complaint, 4700 Wear Rd.
0815 – alarm, 50000 bl. Arkona Rd.
0836 – fire dept. assist, Creekside Dr.
0938 – civil dispute, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
1240 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Carleton West
1412 – suspicious person, 50000 bl. Wear Rd.
1456 – alarm, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1520 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
1705 – suspicious incident, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1842 – suspicious vehicle, 27000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2038 – suspicious vehicle, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.
2314 – warrant arrest pick up, Rawsonville/Rustic

Saturday, Oct. 5:

0019 – noise complaint, Wayside Dr.
0040 – suspicious person, 25000 bl. Clark Rd.
0155 – citizen assist, Oakville Waltz/Elwell
0422 – assault, Edgewood Dr.
1053 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.
1130 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1211 – civil dispute, Redwood Ct.
1224 – civil dispute, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1249 – civil dispute, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1342 – larceny, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1432 – 911 hang up, 8900 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1630 – civil dispute, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1954 – odor investigation, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2331 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood Dr.
2347 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.

Also on this week's log are 11 follow-up investigations, 31 miscellaneous details, 40 patrol checks, and 27 traffic stops.

BHS at-home games

• **Thursday, Oct. 10:** Freshman Volleyball vs. Clarenceville HS, 5:30 p.m.; Girls Swim & Dive vs. Wayne Memorial HS, 6:30 p.m.
• **Friday, Oct. 11:** Varsity Football vs. Stevenson HS, Homecoming, 7 p.m.
• **Tuesday, Oct. 15:** Freshman Volleyball vs. Churchill HS, 5 p.m.; JV Volleyball vs Churchill HS, 5 p.m.; Girls Swim & Dive vs. Dundee HS, 6:30 p.m.; Varsity Volleyball vs Churchill HS, 6:30 p.m.

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SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

Registration Starts @ 11:30 a.m.
October 13th, 20th, 27th

Police Firing Range at Old Landfill on W. Willow Rd. (Between Sumpter & Elwell Road)

Rules: 12, 16, 20 Gauge Shotguns - 30" Barrel Max., NO Scopes
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Members of Van Buren Township boards and commissions attended the Oct. 2 workshop on the new future land use Master Plan now being developed. They ate a meal together and then offered suggestions on the plan.

Master Plan

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to be made special and there is a new opportunity to redevelop the Kmart site as a gateway to the township.

Also, there was talk about if a sewer was put south of Hull Road what would that do to the township as far as development? Is it important to keep the southern part of the township rural, or not, he asked.

On Oct. 3, the workshop featured a catered meal by Angel Food of Van Buren Township, and then those present were asked to look over all the comments made on boards and maps and affixed by sticky notes and to offer comments of their own.

Work continues on updating of the Master Plan.

Those with questions or comments on the Master Plan process may call Public Services Director Matthew Best at (734) 699-8913.

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